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based on the determined data set structure, creating a first derived data set and mapping information from the first data set into the first derived data set; and
based on the determined data set structure, creating a second derived data set and mapping information from the second data set into the second derived data set.

Remarks

Status of application

Claims 1-42 are pending in the subject application. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of claims 23-31 and indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-22 and 32-42 (subject to filing a Terminal Disclaimer).

General

A. Rejection under 35 USC Section 112, second paragraph

Claim 1 stands rejected for indefiniteness, stemming from potentially unclear antecedent basis for the phrase "a selected one of the ordinal intervals". The claim has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner. Claim 4 also stands rejected for indefiniteness, as a result of a typographical error omitting the word "and". The claim has also been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, the foregoing amendments cure any ambiguity and thus overcome the rejection.

B. Rejection for non-statutory double pending

Claims 1-22 and 38-42 stand rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1 and 11 of U.S. Patent Number 5,519,606. Applicants filed herewith a Terminal Disclaimer for overcoming the rejection.

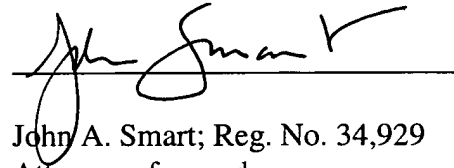
Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks and the amendment to the claims, it is believed that all claims are now in condition for allowance. Hence, it is respectfully

requested that the application be passed to issue at an early date. If for any reason the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (408) 395-8819.

Respectfully submitted,

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